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July 10, 1953

Honorable Joseph M. Dodge  
Director, Bureau of the Budget  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Dodge:

I have your letter of July 7 regarding the possibility of relocating the Central Intelligence Agency in more suitable quarters.

This is not a new problem to us as we have been participating with your representatives in this matter. A number of proposals have already been considered but most appear to be impossible of accomplishment without a direct order from the President and excessive expenditures. Our best thinking to date is that the only practical way to meet the CIA needs is in the creation of new space and the answer may lie in our lease-purchase legislation now pending before Congress.

However, I agree that this is the responsibility of GSA and we shall immediately arrange with that Agency for a further study of their space problems.

Sincerely,

/s/ Edmund F. Mansure

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